



Technical Assistance Exchange April 16, 2014

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Save the Date! ADRC-TAE Webinar

Save the date for the second webinar in the Quarterly Part B Webinar series! Watch the newsletter for more information.

***Wednesday, April 30**

***2:00-3:00 PM ET**

***[Register in Advance](#)**

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SART Information and Training

The Semi-Annual Reporting Tool is now open for this spring's Semi-Annual Reporting period! The reporting system opened April 1st for web-based entry, and reports are due on Wednesday, April 30th.

All local level ADRCs in Part B states that operated for any part of the last six months should complete a report. If you have any questions about reporting requirements for your program, please contact your state's project director or write to us at adrc-tae@lewin.com.

The TAE will offer training opportunities for individuals who will be completing the semi-annual report. The April 22 training will cover the same content as the [April 10 SART Training](#). The training is highly recommended for individuals who have never used the SART before and includes opportunities to ask questions. You may wish to review the [Spring 2014 SART Manual](#) before beginning the report or attending the trainings. The training is scheduled for:

- **Tuesday, April 22nd**
 - 2:30-4:00 PM Eastern
 - [Webinar Registration](#), Password: ADRC
 - Call-in #:1-763-957-6300
 - Participant code: 318 530 123

We look forward to hearing from you about the progress you've made and the lives you've touched over the last six months.

Part A States will receive separate reporting instructions soon.

Hartford Change AGent Opportunities

There are two opportunities this summer for Hartford Change AGENTS, individuals who have ever been connected in any way to a Hartford-funded project. If you're not sure if you're a Hartford Change AGENT, please email [Julia Meashey](#). Details on the two opportunities and links to download applications are below.

Hartford Change AGENTS Policy Institute

June 22-24, Washington, DC

[Apply by April 25, 2014](#)

The Hartford Change AGENTS Initiative Policy Institute will provide an opportunity for Hartford Change AGENTS to gain new knowledge and acquire skills necessary to mobilize for action on policy issues that bring about improvements in health care and quality of life for older adults. It will help AGENTS gain a stronger understanding of the complex policy-making environment and the role that they can play in driving policy outcomes. There is no cost to attend this conference. Travel scholarships will be awarded, please see application for details!

Hartford Interdisciplinary Communications Conference

July 21-23, Chicago

[Apply by April 30, 2014](#)

The annual John A. Hartford Foundation Interdisciplinary Communications Conference provides participants with a foundation in a variety of communications topics that help them build their capacity to lead practice change and other efforts.

This gathering of 40 individuals, representing nursing, medicine, and social work in a variety of academic and practice environments, is an intensive and dynamic experience. It is open to up to 15 Hartford Change AGENTS who have not participated in this conference previously. All travel expenses, room at Thompson Chicago, and meals are covered by the conference.

New Resources



[Medical Loss Ratio Tip Sheet](#) was developed by ACL and its partners to help community based organizations understand Affordable Care Act (ACA) requirements for managed care organizations. The ACA requires all health insurance plans to submit data on the proportion of premium revenues spent on clinical services and quality improvement programs, also known as the Medical Loss Ratio. The ACA also sets a minimum standard for all insurance plans. Understanding these ratios can help community based organizations negotiate contracts with managed care organizations.



[Spring 2014 Semi-Annual Reporting Tool Manual](#) contains instructions on how to use the Semi-Annual Reporting Tool (SART) housed on the ADRC-TAE for your grant reporting. This document also includes definitions for many terms used in the report. The SART is open through April 30.

Upcoming Events

1) Reducing Hospital Readmissions through Collaboration with Community Partners

Leaders from some of CMS' federal initiatives, including the Partnership for Patients, will discuss how the objectives of federal programs such as Hospital Engagement Networks, Community-based Care Transitions Programs, Quality Improvement Organizations and the Administration for Community Living are aligned. Through collaboration with these initiatives, hospitals have seen reductions in 30-day readmissions through effective care transition models. This program is offered as part of the federal Partnership for Patients Initiative. CEUs are available.

***Thursday, April 17, 12:30-1:30 PM ET**

[*Register in Advance](#)

2) SART Trainings

The TAE will offer training opportunities for individuals who will be completing the semi-annual report. You do not need to attend the training on April 22 if you attended the April 10 training. The training is highly recommended for individuals who have never used the SART before and includes opportunities to ask questions.

***Tuesday, April 22nd 2:30-4:00 PM ET**

[*Webinar 2 Registration](#), Password: ADRC

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[*Spring 2014 SART Manual](#)

[*Recording of Spring 2014 SART Training](#)

3) Preventing and Addressing Elder Financial Exploitation: Tips and Tools from the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB)

CFPB and its Office for Older Americans have developed an array of tools to help a broad spectrum of aging and legal services providers prevent and respond to financial abuse of older consumers. This interactive webinar will cover the CFPB's consumer complaint process and other resources to help participants and their communities.

***Wednesday, April 23, 2:00-3:00 PM ET**

[*Register in Advance](#)

4) Behavioral Health Worker Funding Opportunity Technical Assistance Call

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) and the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) released a [Funding Announcement](#) for the Behavioral Health Workforce Education and Training (BHWET) program for Paraprofessionals. This is a call for interested applicants. The application deadline is June 3rd.

***Wednesday, April 23, 3:00-4:00 PM ET**

***Call-in Number: 1-888-628-9526; Code: 2193070**

***[Join Through Adobe Connect](#)**

5) Seizing the Opportunity: Early Medicaid Health Home Lessons Webinar

This Center for Health Care Strategies (CHCS) webinar, supported by the New York State Health Foundation and the Missouri Foundation for Health will cover elements critical to the implementation and sustainability of health homes. It will feature on-the-ground perspectives from two early adopter health home states: Missouri and New York. The webinar can inform other states looking to develop health home programs.

***Thursday, April 24, 2:00-3:00 PM ET**

***[Seizing the Opportunity: Early Medicaid Health Home Lessons CHCS Brief](#)**

***[Register in Advance](#)**

6) Quarterly Part B Webinar

Save the date for the second webinar in the Quarterly Part B Webinar series! It will feature updates and highlight upcoming communications for Part B grantees.

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TAE Tip of the Week:

Forgotten your ADRC-TAE login name or password? If so, then you can use the [Forgot Your Username](#) or [Forgot Your Password](#) links on the ADRC-TAE website.

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